

Appendix 1

Table 1. Guidelines for patients nursed supine and unconscious

Grade of lagophthalmos	Action
Grade 0	<i>NO ACTION REQUIRED</i>
- Lid completely closed	
	<i>EYES NEED LUBRICATING EVERY 4 HOURS</i>
Grade 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Clean off old ointment before putting in new - Pull lower lid down and instil ointment onto eye between lower lid and conjunctiva - Always check corneal clarity with bright light: IF NOT CLEAR – ALERT MEDICAL STAFF
- Any conjunctival exposure	
	<i>EYES NEED LUBRICATING AND LIDS TAPING</i>
Grade 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Apply ointment as for Grade 1 - Close lids, ensure lashes outside eye and lids free of ointment - Tape upper lid down with Micropore™ tape horizontally - Always check corneal clarity with bright light: IF NOT CLEAR - ALERT MEDICAL STAFF
- Any conjunctival & corneal exposure	
- MAJOR RISK	

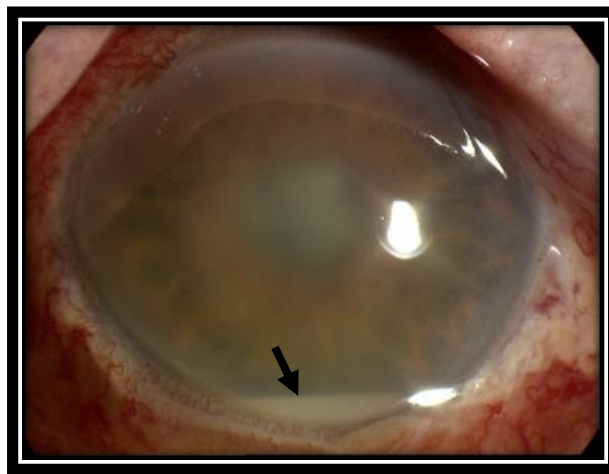
Table 3. Guidelines for patients nursed prone and unconscious

Grading	Action
	<i>EYES NEED LUBRICATING EVERY 4 HOURS AND LIDS TAPING</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Clean off old ointment before putting in new - Pull lower lid down and instil ointment onto eye between lower lid and conjunctiva - Close lids, ensure lashes outside eye and lids free of ointment - Tape upper lid down with Micropore™ tape horizontally - Always check corneal clarity with bright light: IF NOT CLEAR - ALERT MEDICAL STAFF - If eye is swollen preventing lid closure - ALERT MEDICAL STAFF
MAJOR RISK to eye in all cases	

Table 3. Guidelines for managing a red eye in ICU patients

Clinical features	Action
Eye sticky	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Take swab - Use Chloramphenicol ointment 4 TIMES PER DAY to eye - Be aware condition is contagious and can be transmitted to other patients - IF NOT BETTER IN 24 HOURS – ALERT MEDICAL SATFF
Eye not sticky	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Is the cornea clear or does it stain with fluorescein drops? - If clear cornea, or simple abrasion, check lubrication schedule and consider lid taping - If corneal opacity or eye not dry – ALERT MEDICAL STAFF

**White line
visible inside eye**



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